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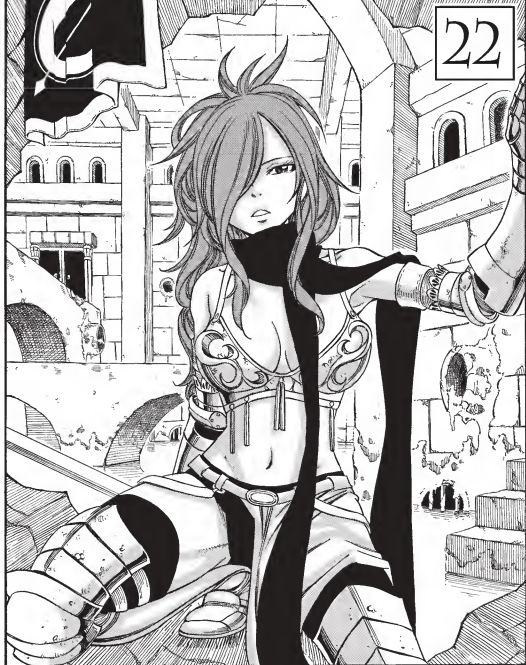


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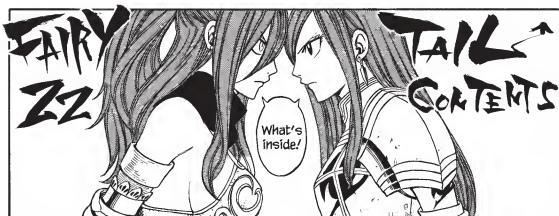
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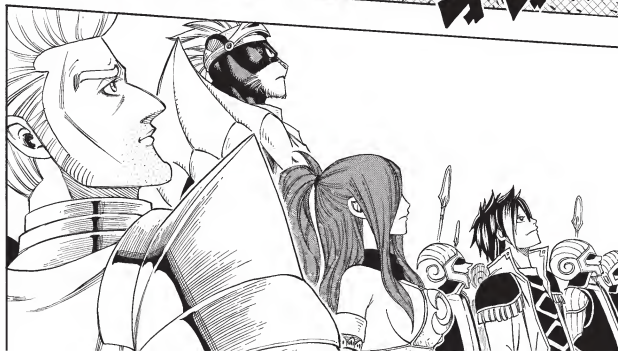
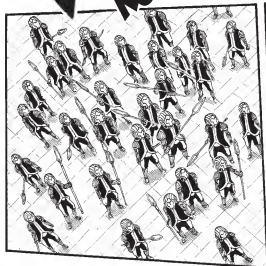
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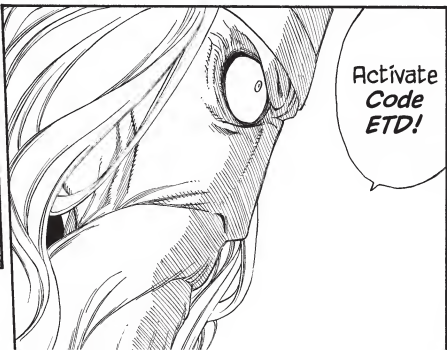
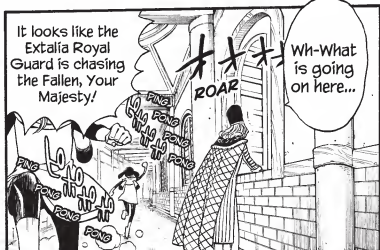
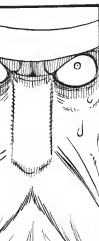
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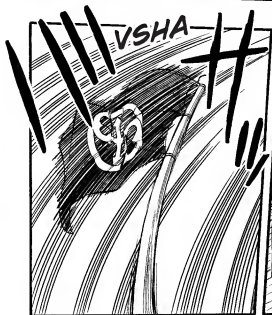
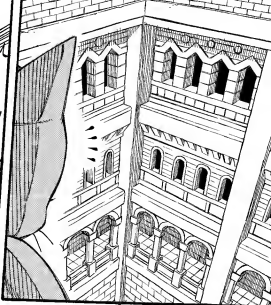
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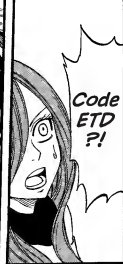
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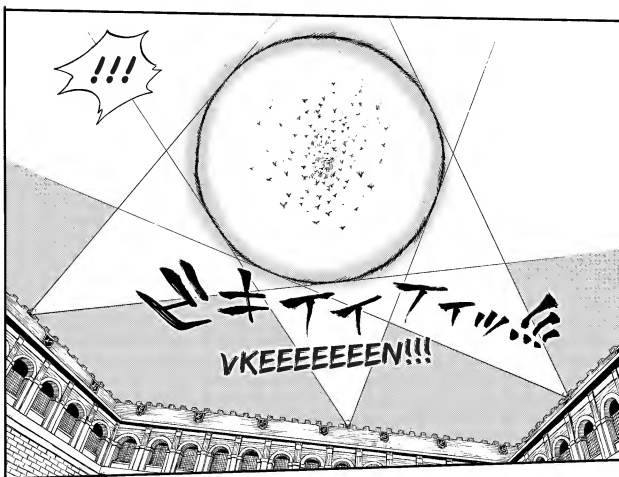


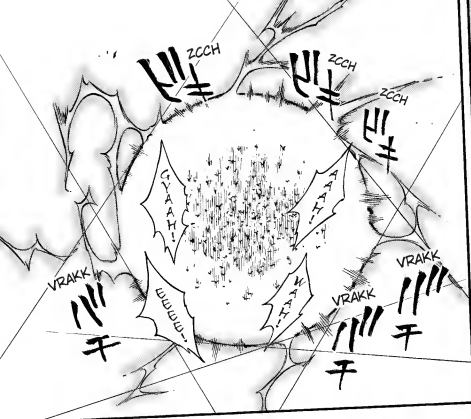












What's the meaning of this...

You humans ?!

I don't know, but I think we have to use this confusion.

What do you think they're trying to do?

Then this is a rebellion?!

Wh-What's going on here? Aren't the Exceed supposed be like angels or gods to the humans here?



Yes, Ma'am!

They're headed for the West Tower cells! Call for reinforcements!

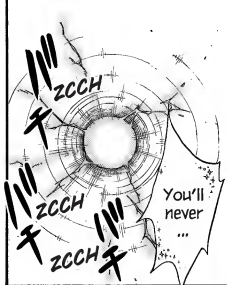


Dammit! The Fallen and the prisoner!



Aye !!

Now's our chance to rescue Wendy and the others!



You'll never ...



...
fool the Queen!

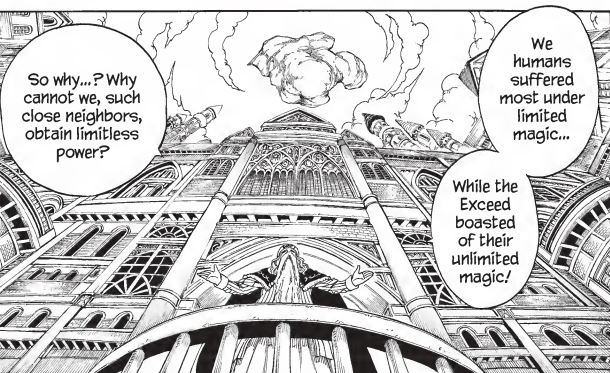


The Exceed turned into a Lacrima!



W-We actually did it.

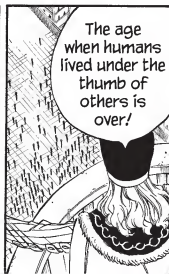




I say to you, my warriors!



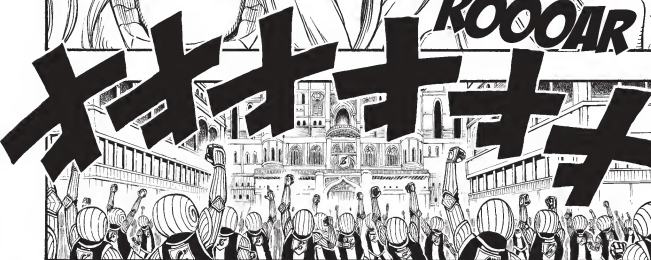
This is all for humanity's future!
To create for us the benefits of a magical society!





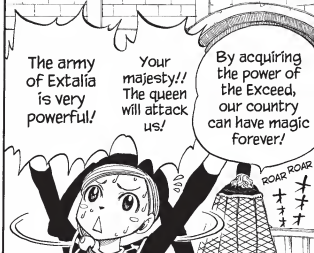
Commence
Code ETD:
Exceed Total
Destruction!
Eliminate the
angels!!!!

ROOOOAR





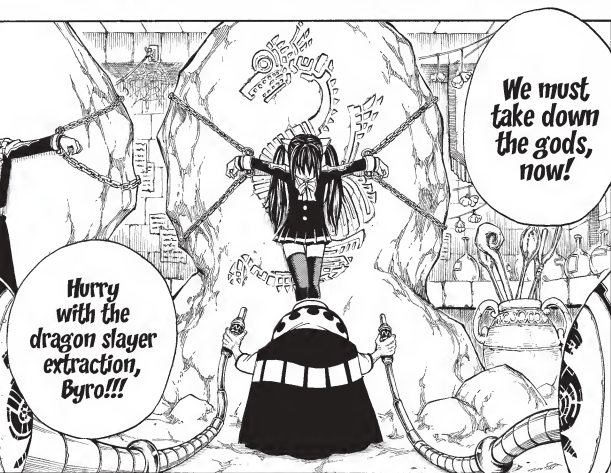
That is
why we've
captured the
dragon
slayers.



The army
of Extalia
is very
powerful!

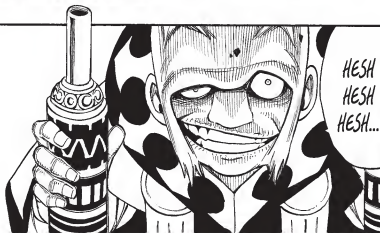
Your
majesty!!
The queen
will attack
us!

By acquiring
the power of
the Exceed,
our country
can have magic
forever!



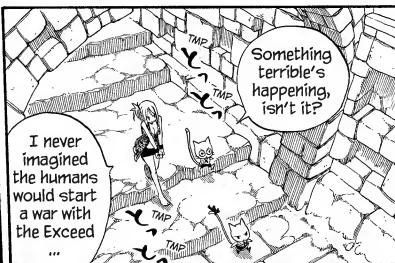
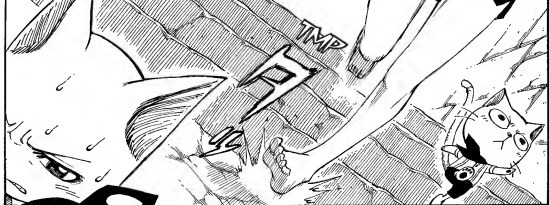
Hurry
with the
dragon slayer
extraction,
Byro!!!

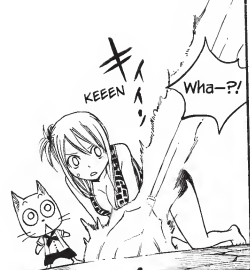
We must
take down
the gods,
now!

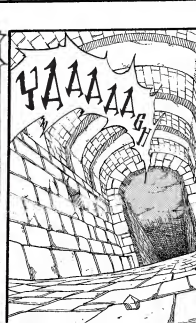


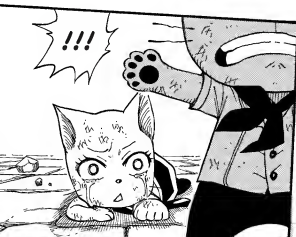
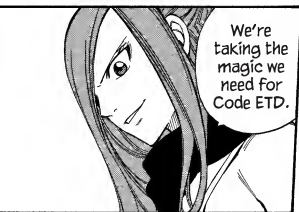
HESH
HESH
HESH...

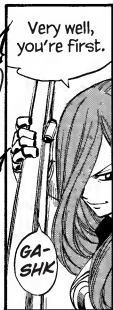
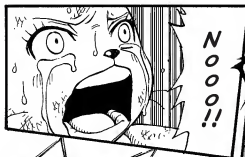
















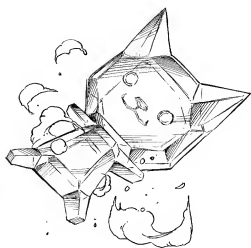
Gray
!!

You are
enemies
of Fairy
Tail!

Erza
!!

GWOO

BOOO

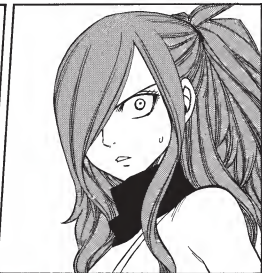
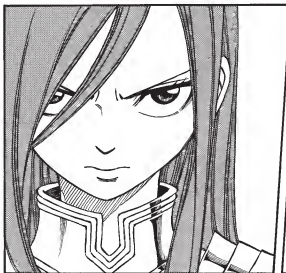
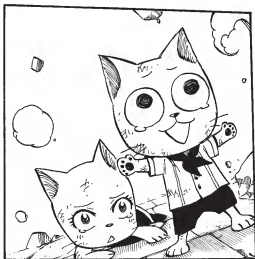
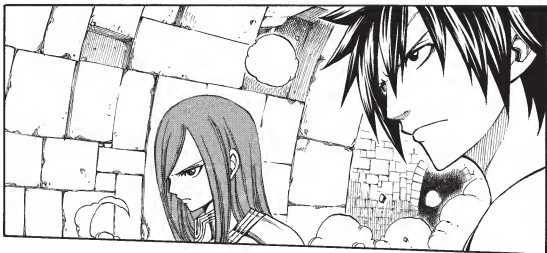


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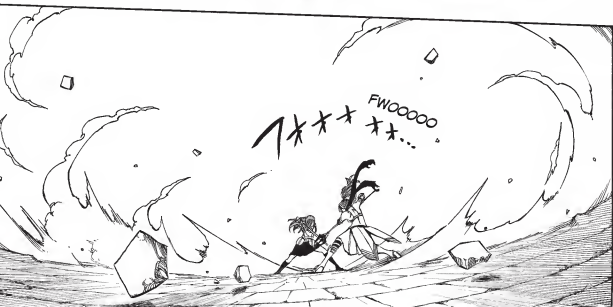
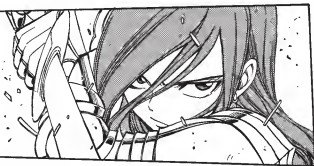
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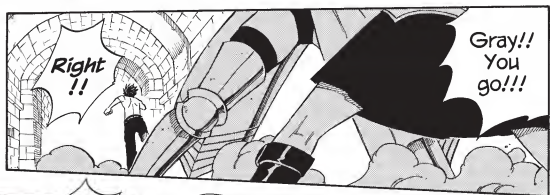
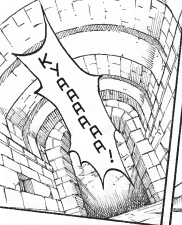


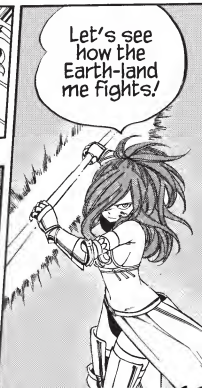


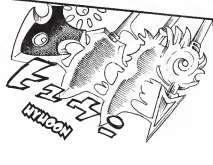
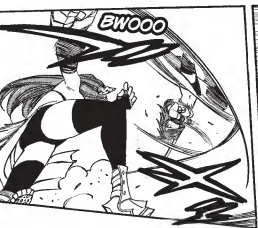
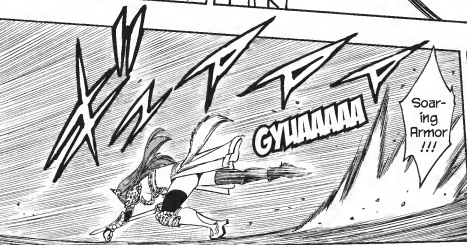
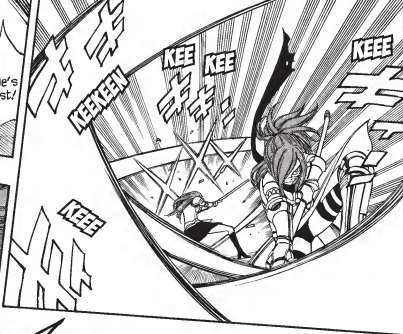
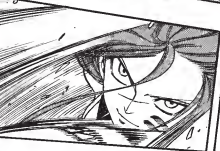


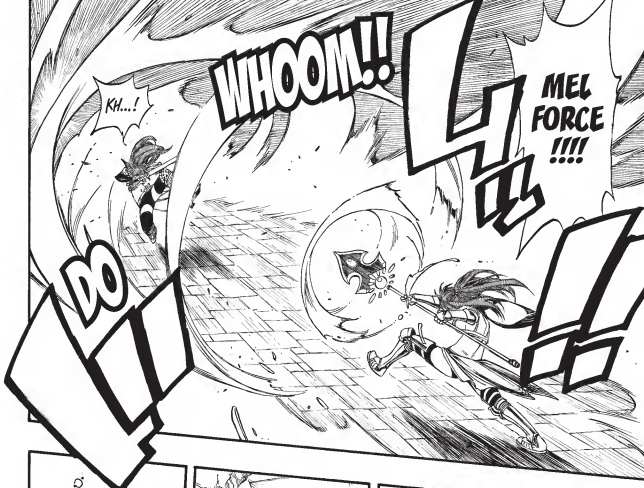
GAWOOSH











WHOOM!!

**MEL
FORCE
!!!!**

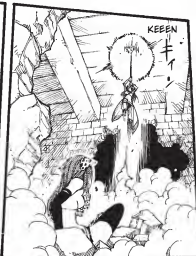
KH...!

DO



**Requip-
ping?!**

No...
She's just
making
the same
weapon
change
shape?



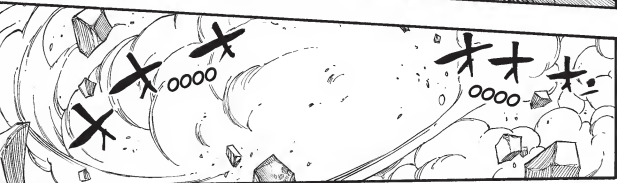
KEEN

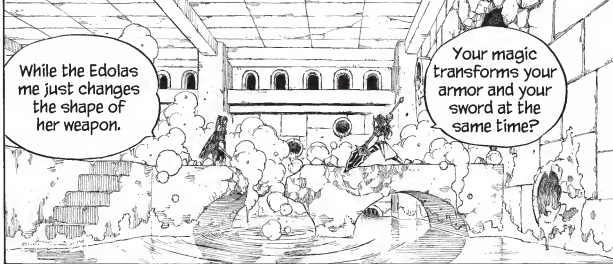


SKRRRRCH



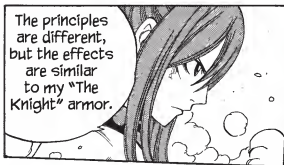
**EXPLOSION
!!!**





While the Edolas
me just changes
the shape of
her weapon.

Your magic
transforms your
armor and your
sword at the
same time?



The principles
are different,
but the effects
are similar
to my "The
Knight" armor.



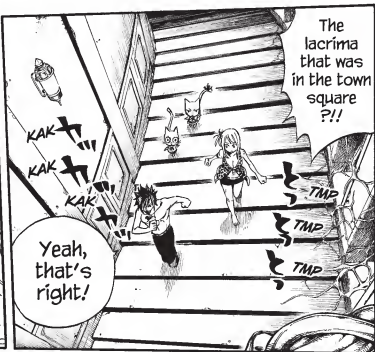
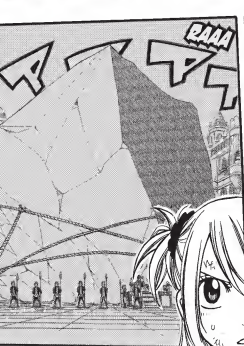
My fighting
strength also
increases
depending on
the shape of
my spear.



Then
come
!!!

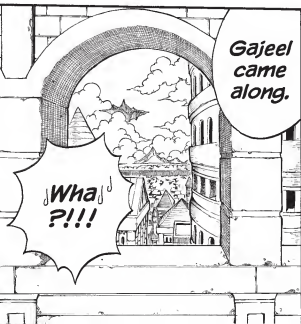


You will now
see the true
power of Ten
Command-
ments, my
magic spear!



The lacrima that was in the town square ?!!

Yeah, that's right!



Wha ?!!!

Gajeel came along.



But how did you get back to normal?



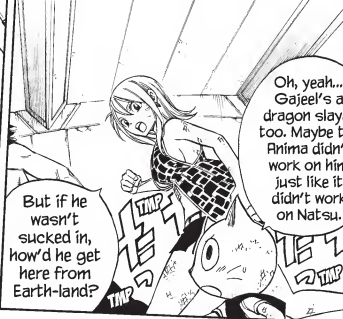
You're kidding!!

It seems that it was made entirely of Erza and myself.



Him...? Why doesn't he come here himself?

Mystogan sent Gajeel here.



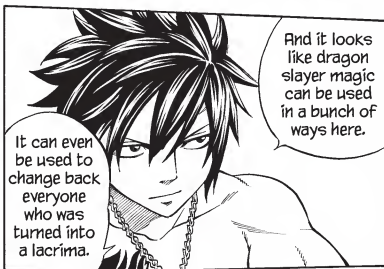
But if he wasn't sucked in, how'd he get here from Earth-land?

Oh, yeah... Gajeel's a dragon slayer too. Maybe the Anima didn't work on him just like it didn't work on Natsu.



We...know where the lacrima with everybody in it is!

Really?!!



It can even be used to change back everyone who was turned into a lacrima.

And it looks like dragon slayer magic can be used in a bunch of ways here.



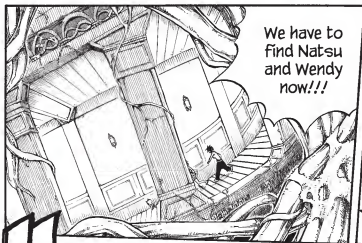
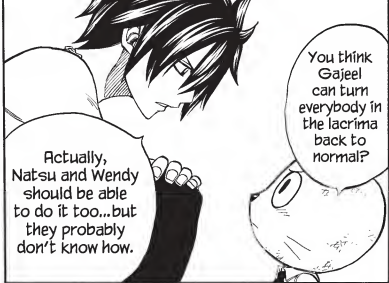
Can you take him to it?

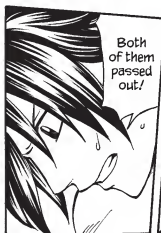
Gajeel is looking everywhere for that giant lacrima.

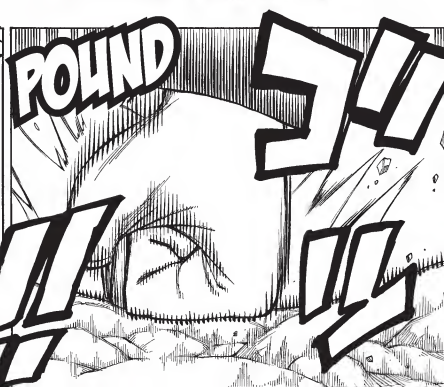
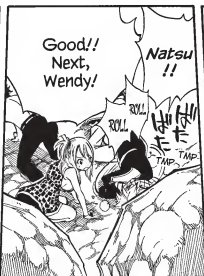


Are you serious, Happy?!

Aye!!





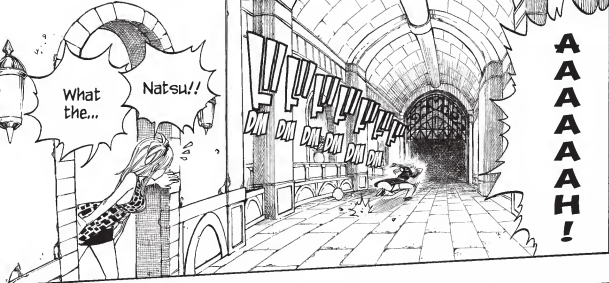


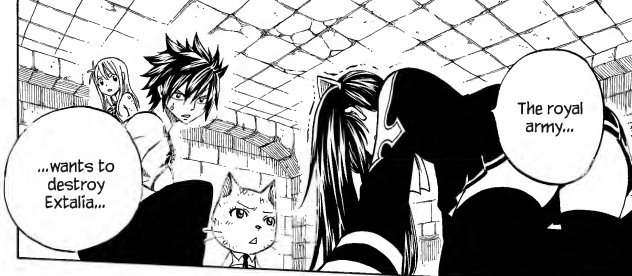


W-We
gotta
stop
'em...



Stop
them
?



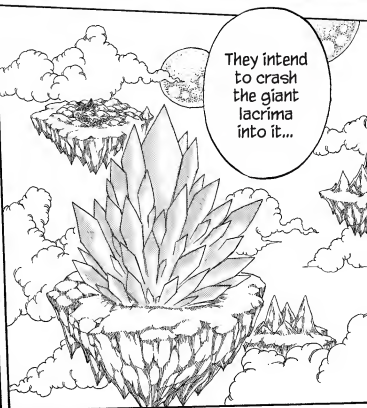


...wants to
destroy
Extalia...

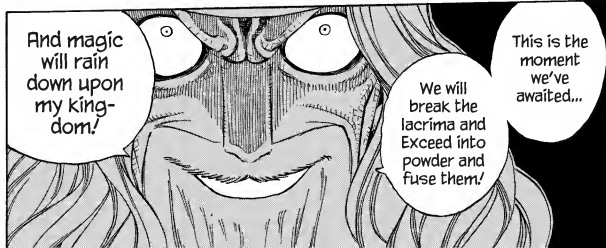
The royal
army...



They want
to take our
friends and
use them like a
bomb!!!!



They intend
to crash
the giant
lacrima
into it...



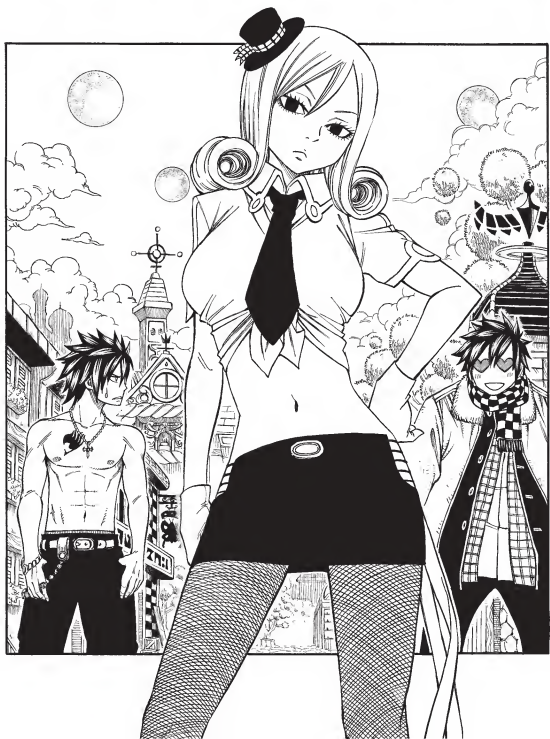
And magic
will rain
down upon
my king-
dom!

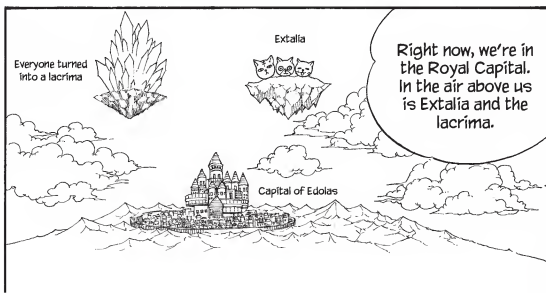
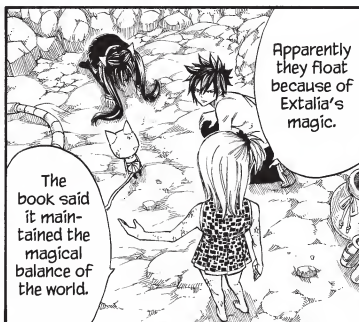
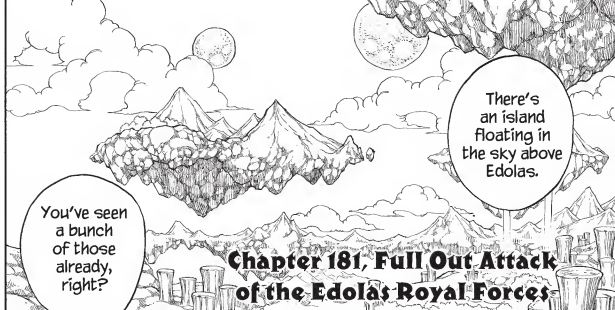
We will
break the
lacrima and
Exceed into
powder and
fuse them!

This is the
moment
we've
awaited...

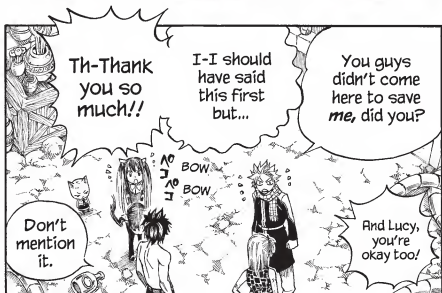
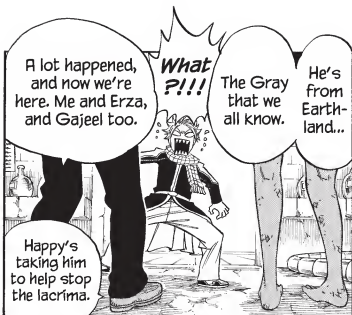
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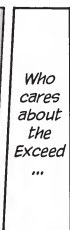
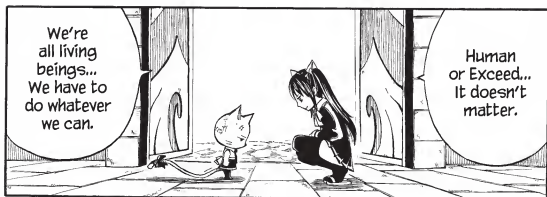
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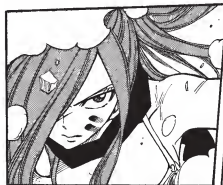
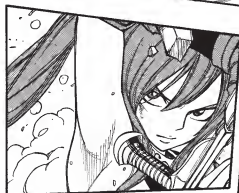


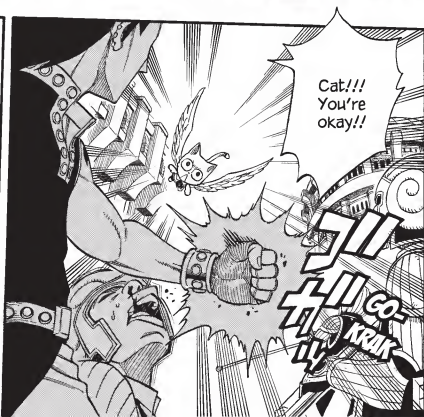
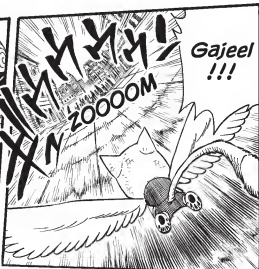
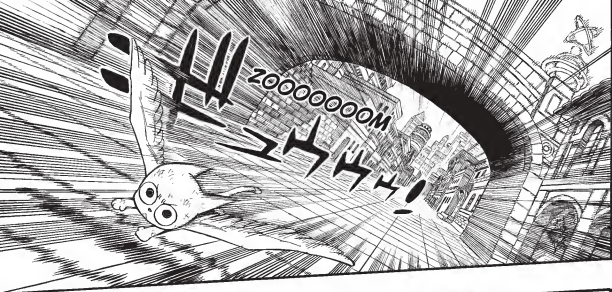


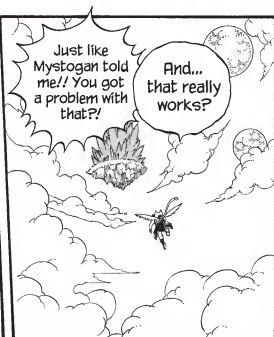
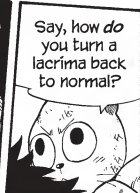


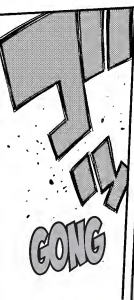
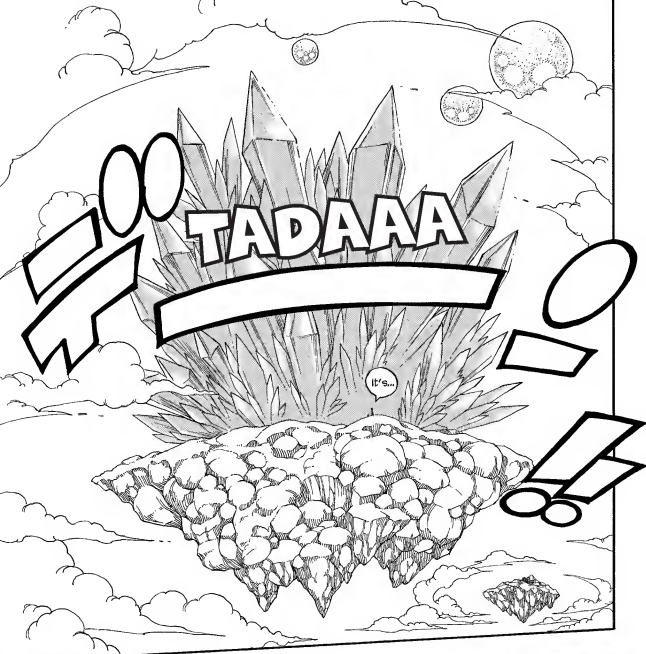












When I get back, I'm gonna eat iron till I'm stuffed!

Damn it!! Why do I always gotta save everyone's butts?!

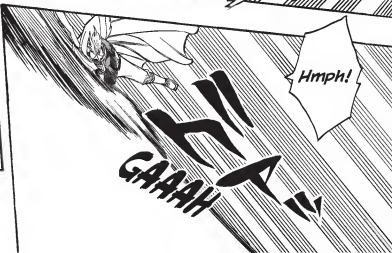
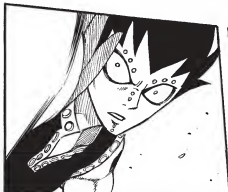
Go to it, Ga-jel!



Bigger than you thought it'd be, huh?

It's big...







You...

What's
with
that
over-
sized
sword
?!



UWA A A H!



You
think
you can
defeat
me?

A king's gotta have a throne, right? We should look for someplace high 'n' mighty!



So, where is this king guy anyways ?!!

CLAK
TIN CLAK
TIN

NOT NOT
PATTER
PATTER

The "dungeons" are in a high place, and the courtyard's way too complex...

Well, sorry!
It's my first time in a castle too, all right?!

Oh, that really narrows it down !!

This place is so weird, it wouldn't surprise me if it had an amusement park in it.

Yes!

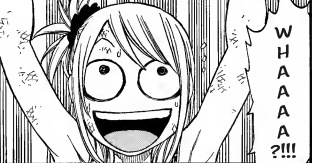
She's saying the building's weird!

What's Lucy blabbering about?

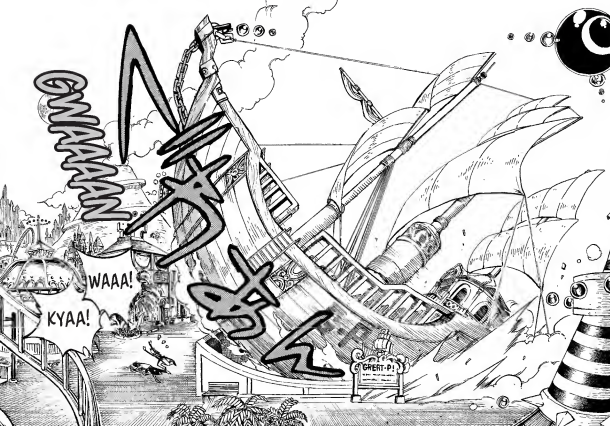
It's a stronghold of concentric rings, but it's got strange oddities...

Wh-What?

There are parts of its construction that defy Earth-land common sense, so it's hard to figure out...



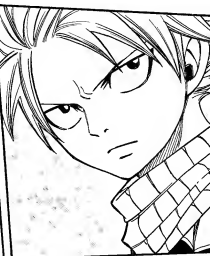
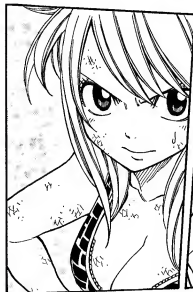






And we
will, by
any means
necessary.

We can now
gain access
to a source
of eternal
magic.



And we
won't let
anyone
get in our
way!

This is a
desperate
fight!

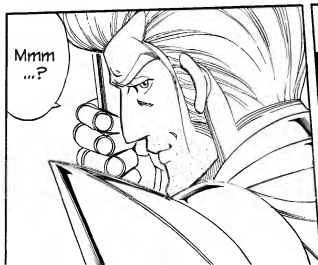
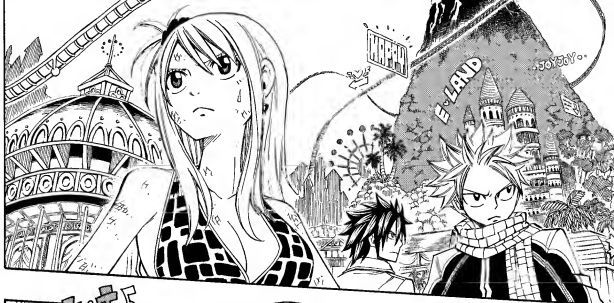
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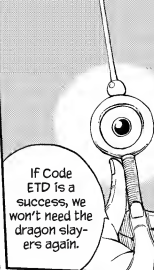
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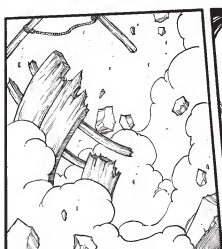
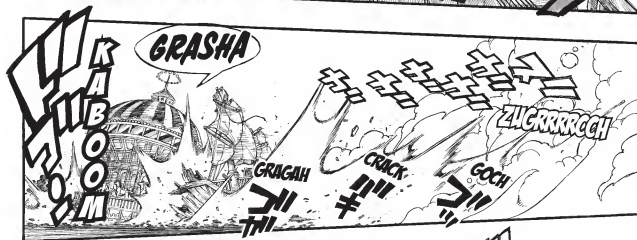
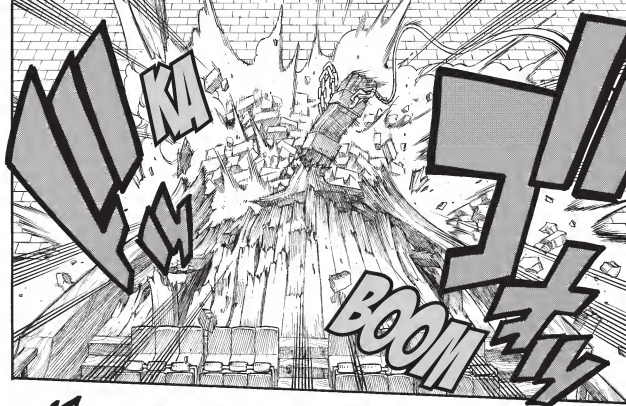


**Chapter 182,
It's People's Lives, Right?!!!**

HIRO · MASHIMA









They truly don't use magical items, do they?



GWAAH!

DWOOOM!!

HYAAAH!!!!



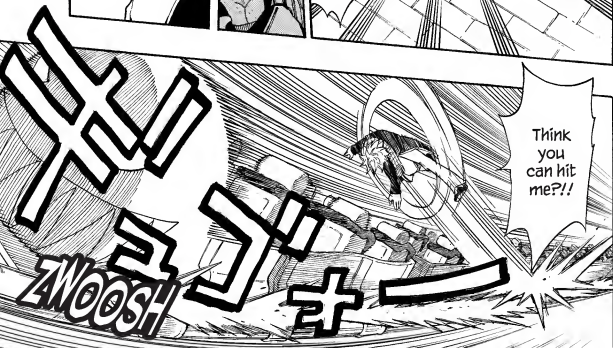
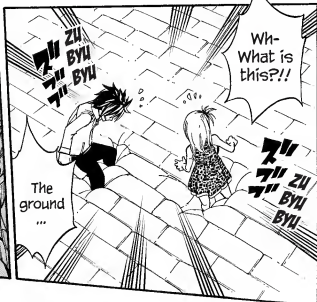
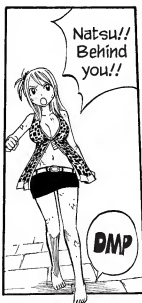
Once we mix those friends of yours with the magic of the Exceed, it'll mean eternal magic power!



Give us back our friends !!!



ZUGAM



...can take any one of these attractions and bend them to my will!

My magic weapon, Command Tact...

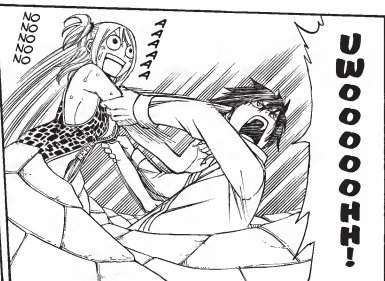


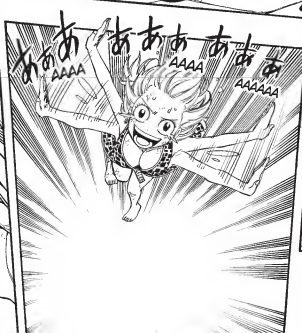
Using my magic, I can make Hell's Coaster go at ten times its normal speed.

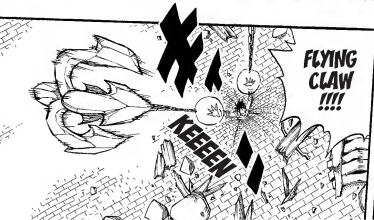
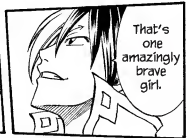
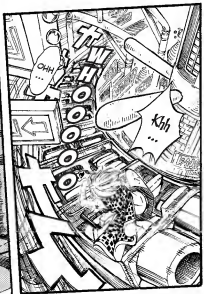
I don't know who you are, but you can't last five minutes on that thing.

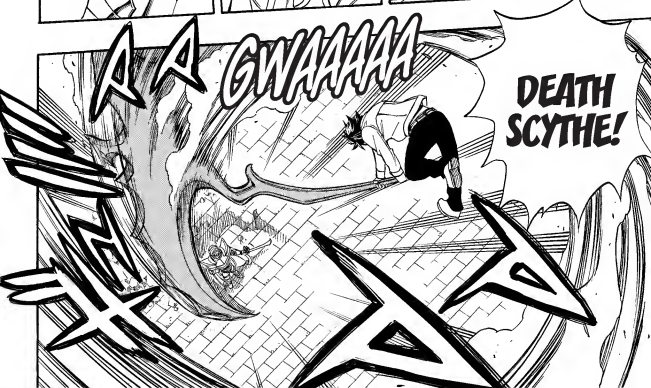
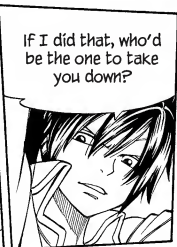
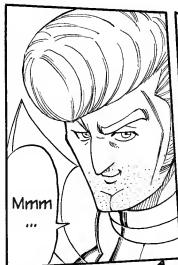


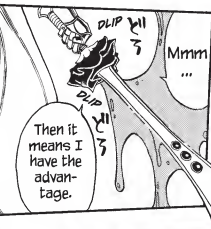
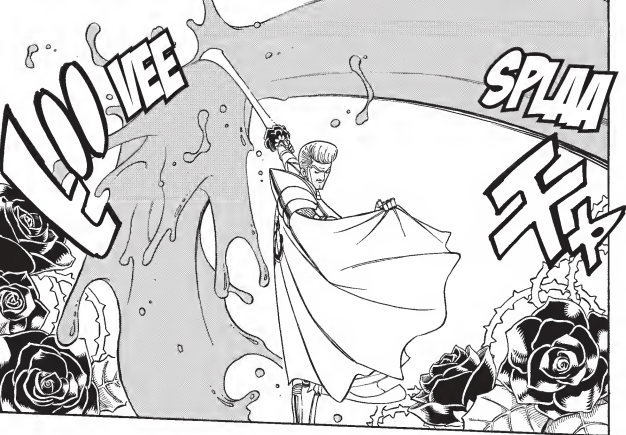
Wait, it hasn't even been ten seconds !!!



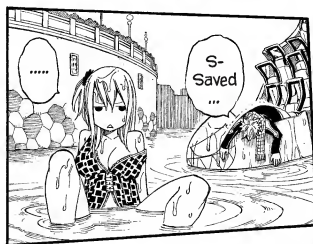


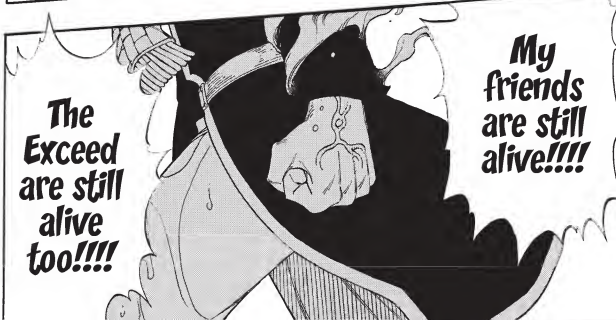
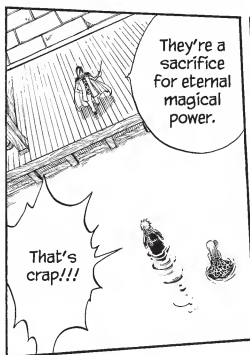














Who
cares
about
eternal
magic
power
?

It's
people's
lives,
right
?!!!

What's
impor-
tant is
to go
on living
!!



Open!
Gate to
the Water
Bearer
Palace!!



Natsu, get
down!!!



Humph.

ZASSHAAA

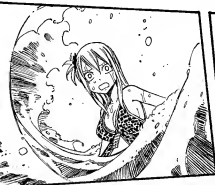
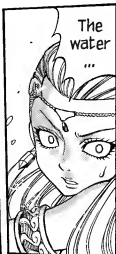
**AQUA-
RIUS
!!!!**

A

WHOOSH

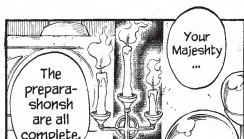
Got it!

It's
up to
you!





It'sh
the final
skstep of
Code
ETD.



The
prepara-
shonsh
are all
complete.



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Chapter 183, Monster Academy





...and we'll use it like a giant chain to control the movementsh of the floating island.



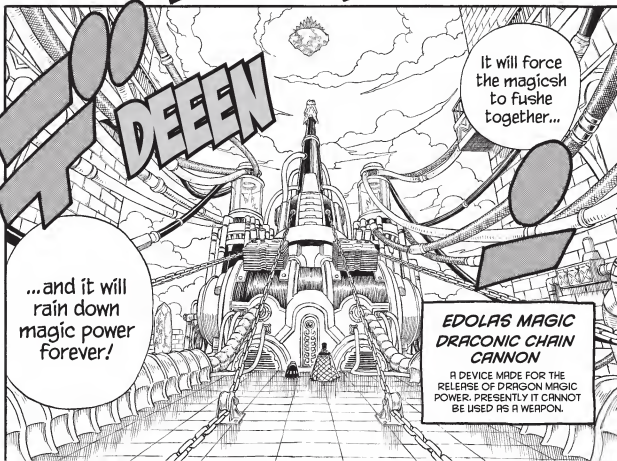
We exshtracted the Dragon Shlayer magic...



...to collide with the catsh' country, and it'll be done!



All that'sh left is to direct the island... or rather, the lacrima...

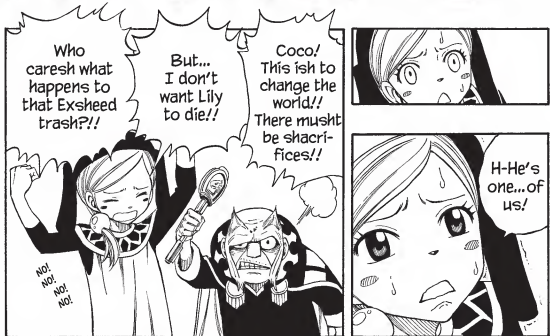


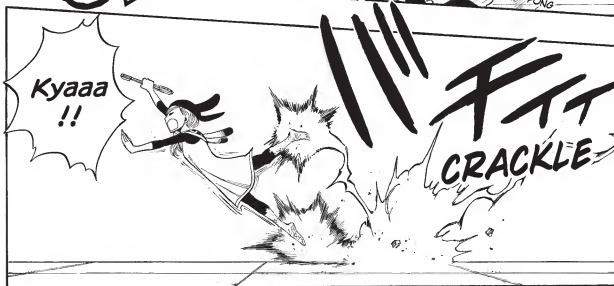
...and it will rain down magic power forever!

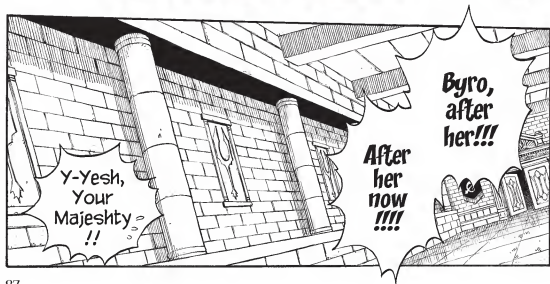
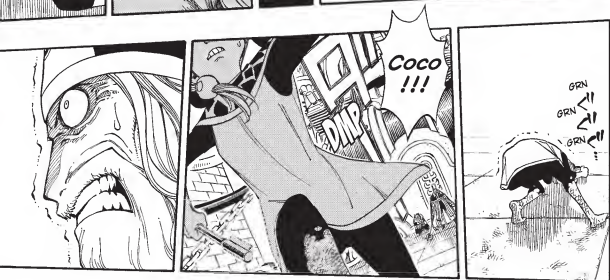
It will force the magicsh to fushe together...

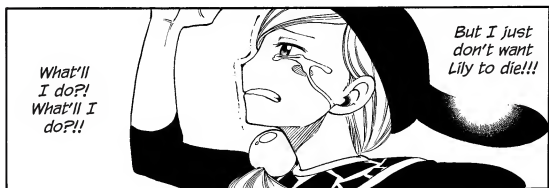
**EDOLAS MAGIC
DRACONIC CHAIN
CANNON**

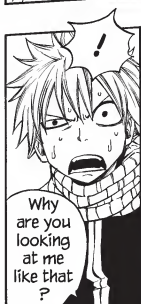
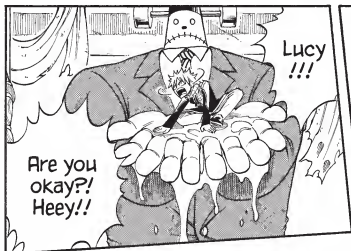
A DEVICE MADE FOR THE RELEASE OF DRAGON MAGIC POWER. PRESENTLY IT CANNOT BE USED AS A WEAPON.

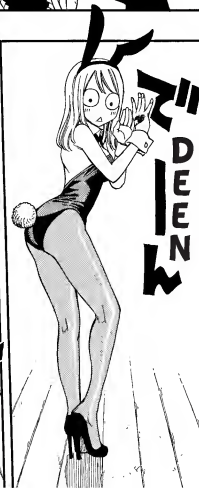
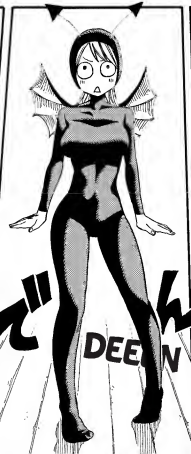
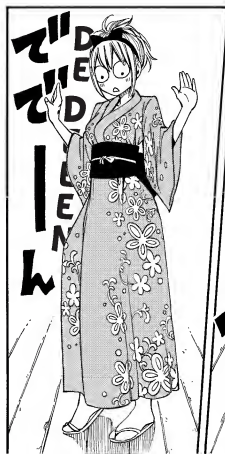
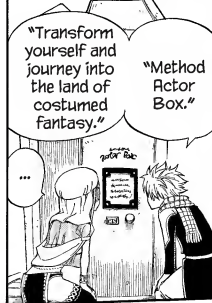


















I don't care!! Just get me my regular clothes back!!!

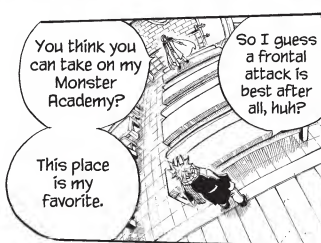
Ahem... "Take a peep at the school life of the monsters as they attend Monster Academy."

This place is **Monster Academy!**



And what are these things?! Monsters?!!

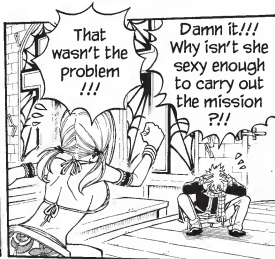
I should never have agreed to this!!!



You think you can take on my Monster Academy?

So I guess a frontal attack is best after all, huh?

This place is my favorite.



That wasn't the problem!!!

Damn it!!! Why isn't she sexy enough to carry out the mission?!!



GWIRL
GWIRL

Nngah!!



MUMMY BANDAGE!!!!



Pretty amazing, right?

In Monster Academy, all the monsters become my very own soldiers!



**Grahh
!!!!**

GWOOGGH



"BOGWOOGH"

"Fire Dragon's..."

**KARYO
NO***

...

Fire from his entire body?!!



**GEH-
GWAAF**

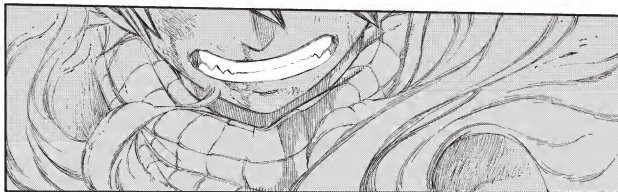


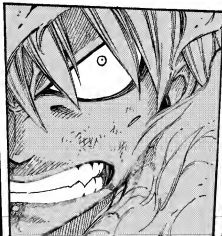
*...Claws!!!!

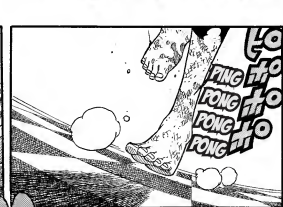
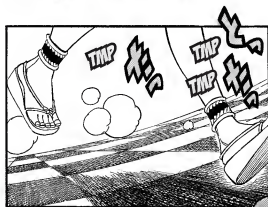


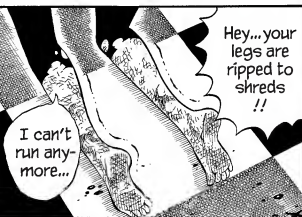












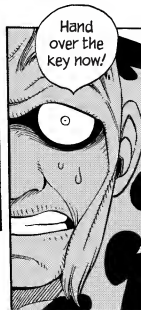


FAIRY TAIL

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Chapter 184, For the Pride of the Great Celestial River







Mooo!!
That
costume
is the
best,
Lucy-
san!!

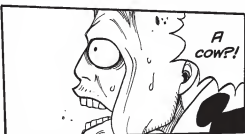
**Taurus
!!**



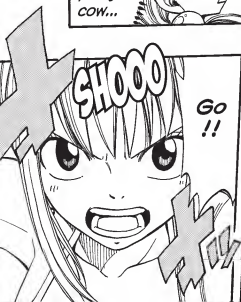
That's
one
pervy
cow...



This is
Earth-land
magic?!

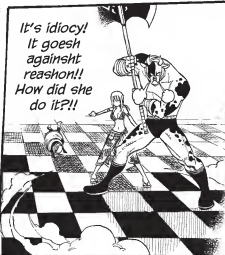


A
cow?!



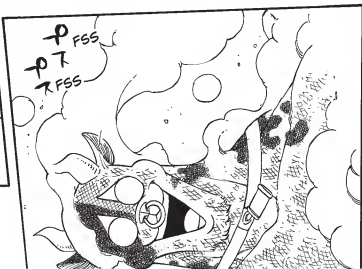
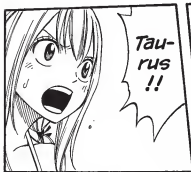
SHOOO

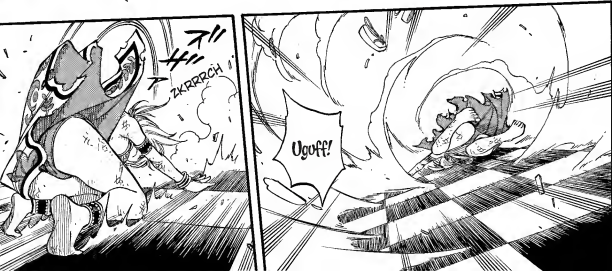
**Go
!!**



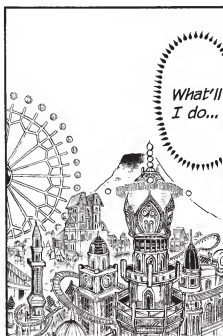
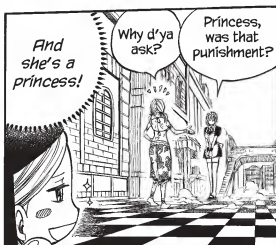
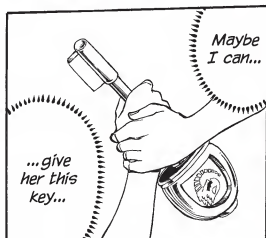
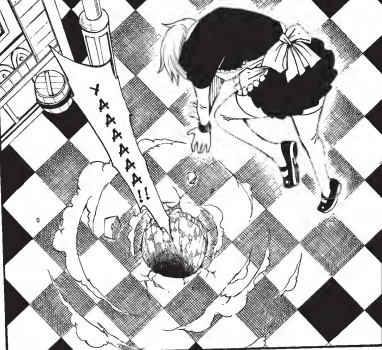
It's idiocy!
It goesh
against
reason!!
How did she
do it?!!

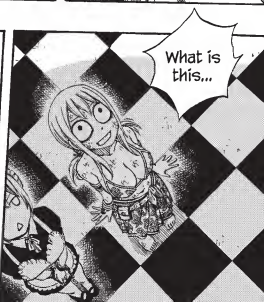
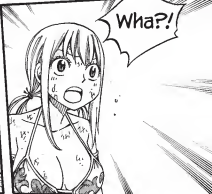
How could
she have done
that?! How
can anyone
shummon
shomething
from
nothing?!



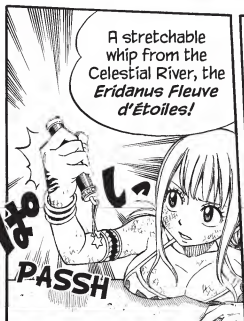
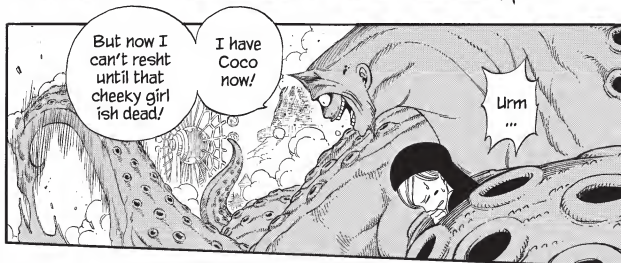
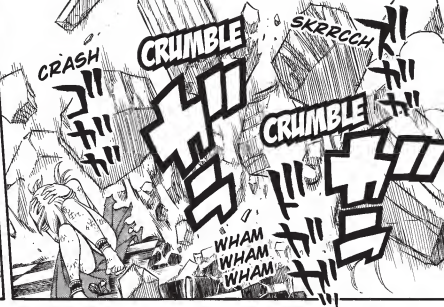


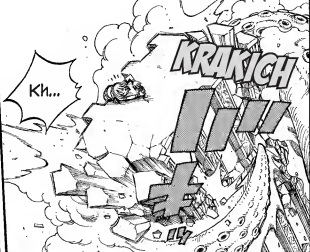














....
Thank
you!

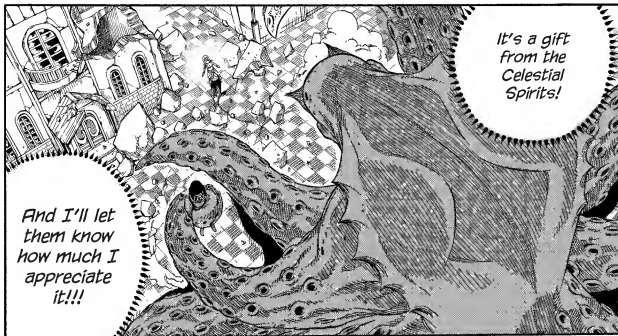


I see...
That's why
Virgo gave
me...

When
I use my
Celestial Magic
a few times in
succession,
my magic
runs out.



Magic
...?!



It's a gift
from the
Celestial
Spirits!

And I'll let
them know
how much I
appreciate
it!!!



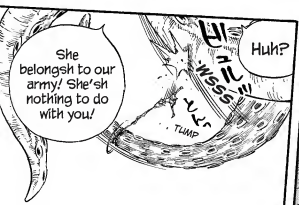
FINISH

I think
she said it
stretches,
right?



Now be
squished !!!

DWOOOM





And I can put her in more pain!



Well she looks like she's in pain!!



If she's one of you...



Don't go wandering all over my body!!



Listen, you!!



GAK!



And I refuse to lose to anyone who doesn't understand that basic truth!!

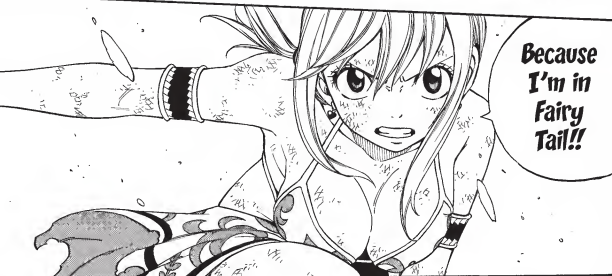


... then you should be protecting her!!

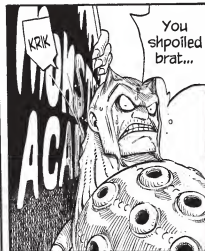


When
did
she...

My
legsh...



Because
I'm in
Fairy
Tail!!



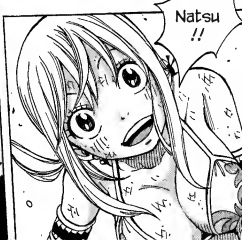
You
spoilied
brat...

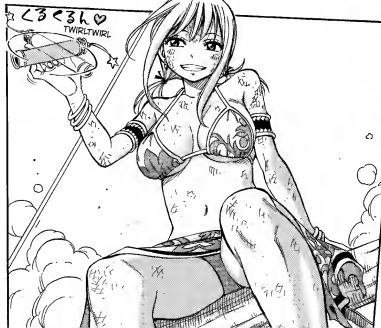


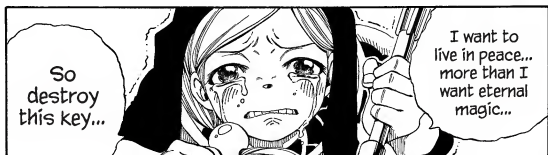
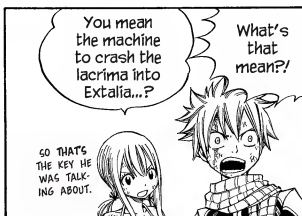
RAA
AH!!



WROODAAAH!!







You can't
let such an
important
item fall into
enemy hands,
Coco!!

Ha ha
haaa
!!

WHOOSH

IRV
FILCH

You
creep
...

Give it
back!!

Oh,
no...!!

The
key!!

Sugar
Boy!

This
must go
back to His
Majesty!

HAHAHA —!!

Gray
!!

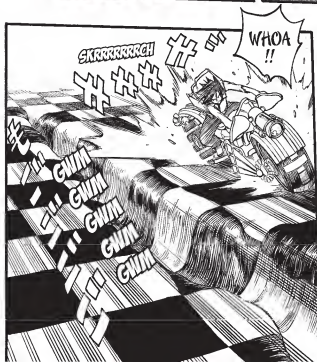
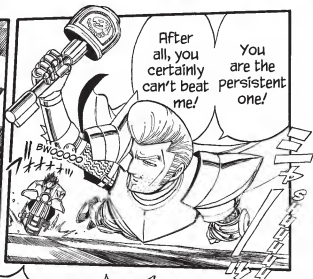
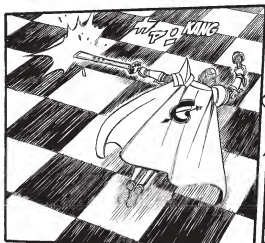
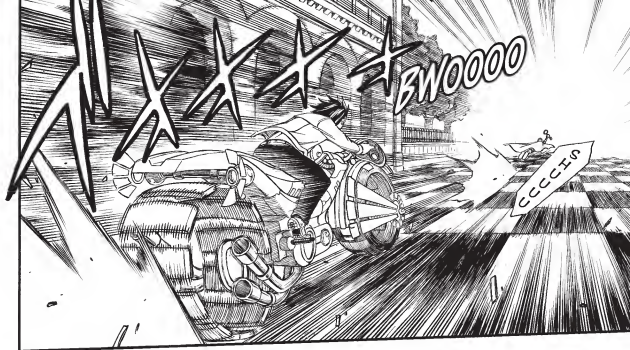
Hold it
right
there!!

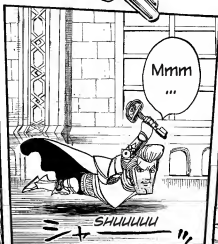
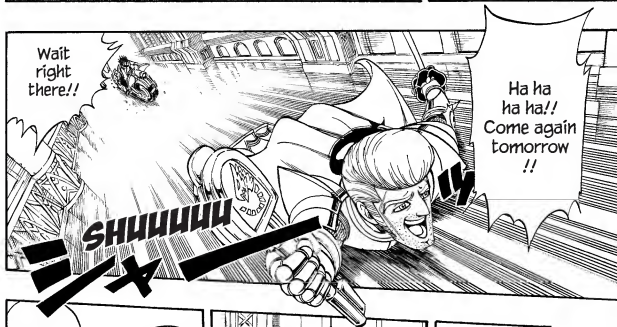
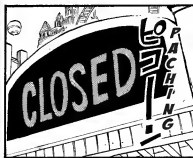
FAIRY TAIL

フェアリーテイル

Chapter 185, Ice Boy









Oh, no!
Anything
beyond that is
a secret!

Draconic
Chain
Cannon?



It's a
key to
start the
Draconic
Chain
Cannon.



And
what's
that key?



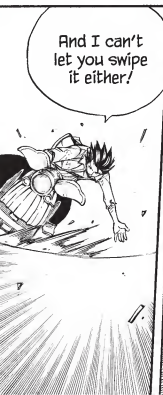
...and
crash
it into
Extalia.

They
plan to use
the dragon
slayer magic
to move
the floating
island...



"Draconic"
Chain
Cannon...
Draconic...

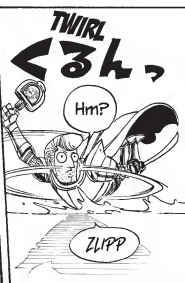
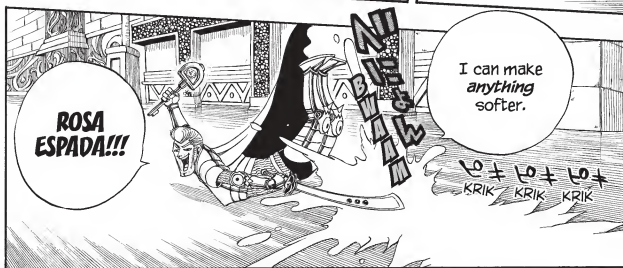
Something
that uses
the dragon
slayer
magic?

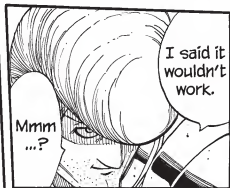
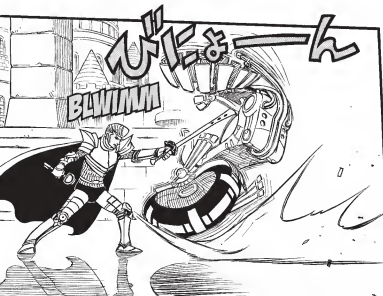
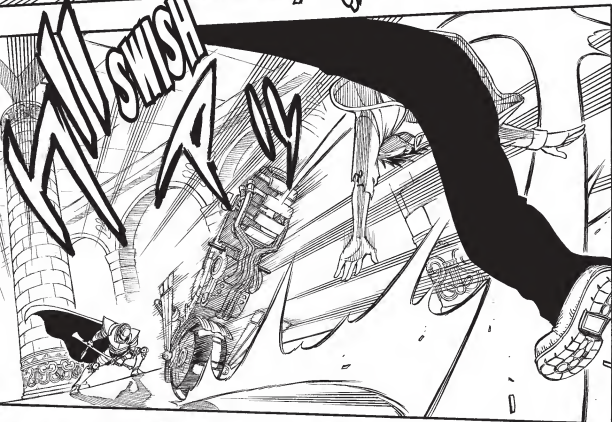


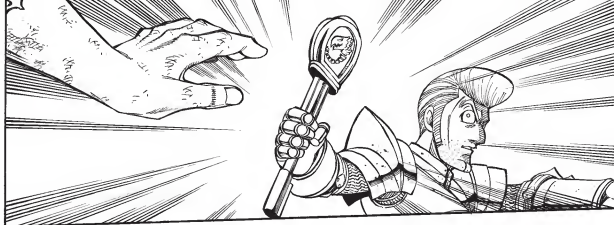
And I can't
let you swipe
it either!



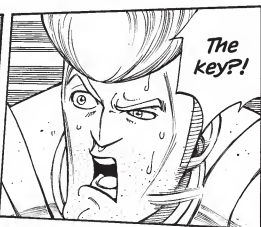
I can't
allow it to
fall into
your hands!







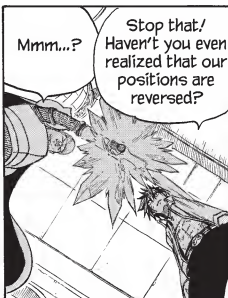
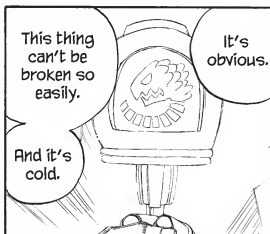
*I'll
crush
it!!*



*The
key?!*



PAKIK





So even if I
can't break it,
I'll make sure
it can never be
used!!

By
covering
it with
ice!!

Are you
sure you want
this? Just a
little mistake
here will make
the key itself
go soft.

It's useless.
My Rosa
Espada will
make hard
ice soft.

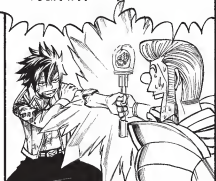
What
are you
talking
about?!

I'm...
I'm quite
finely
tuned!

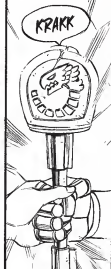


All right!
Now I'm
really gonna
break it!!

You
idiot! You
cracked
the key!!



whaa
-?!



So I'm
going to
smash this
thing to
pieces!!

My
friends'
lives are
riding on
this!!



This is bad!
Really bad!!
Stop!! You'll
break the key!!



Listen,
let's just call a
quick truce! The
key's about to
break!!

What
did you
say?!



CHICK CHICK

W-Wait!
This is
really,
really
bad!!

You
people will
need this
key too!!



*What
are you
sayin?!*



*You're
bluff-
ing!*



*W-With this
key, you can
turn your
friends
back to
normal!*



*I used dragon
slayer magic
to break apart
the lacrima and
you two popped
back to normal.*

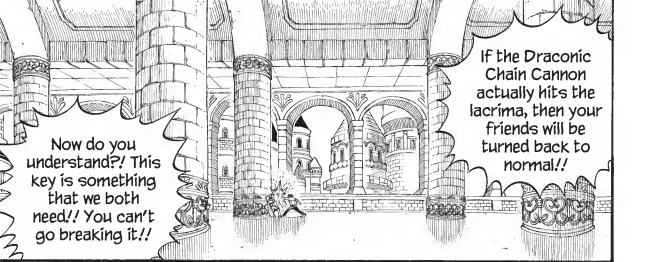
*I guess
dragon slayer
magic in this
world can bring
people back
from being a
lacrima.*



*The Draconic Chain
Cannon shoots
concentrated
dragon slayer
magic.*



*Don't you
know what
dragon slayer
magic can do
in this world?!*



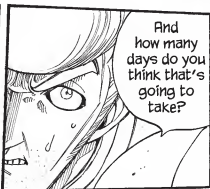
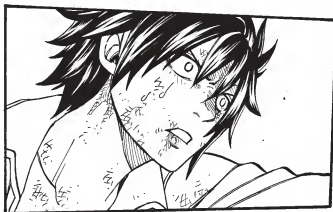
Now do you understand?! This key is something that we both need!! You can't go breaking it!!

If the Draconic Chain Cannon actually hits the lacrima, then your friends will be turned back to normal!!

We've got three dragon slayers on our side! We don't need that key for anything!!

We've got Gajeel.

And with a bit of recovery, we've got Natsu and Wendy too!

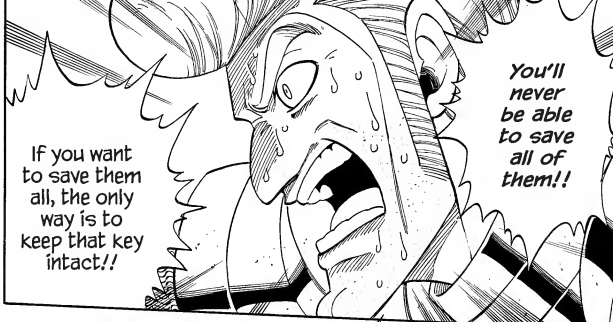


And how many days do you think that's going to take?

I'm sure that with three dragon slayers together, you can save some of them, but...

Our present mission is to crash the lacrima into Extalia *before* that happens!

Starting tomorrow, the lacrima starts turning into magic.

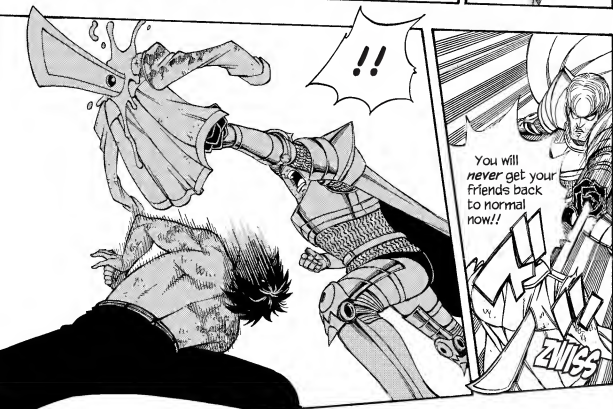


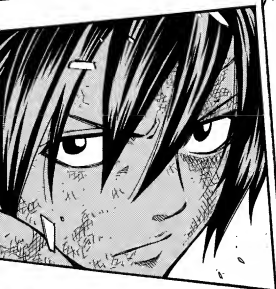
If you want
to save them
all, the only
way is to
keep that key
intact!!

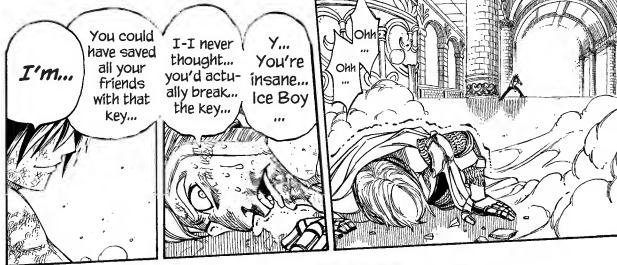
*You'll
never
be able
to save
all of
them!!*



**I am
never
giving
you the
key!!!**







FAIRY TAIL

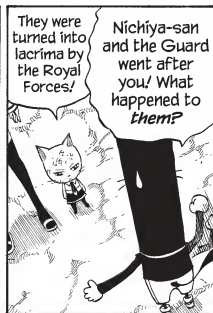
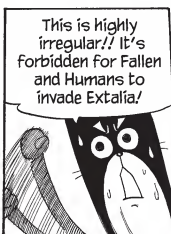
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Chapter 186, My Cat



Extalia





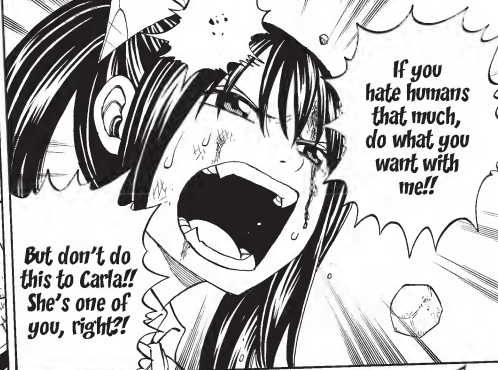




**Listen
to Carla,
please!!**

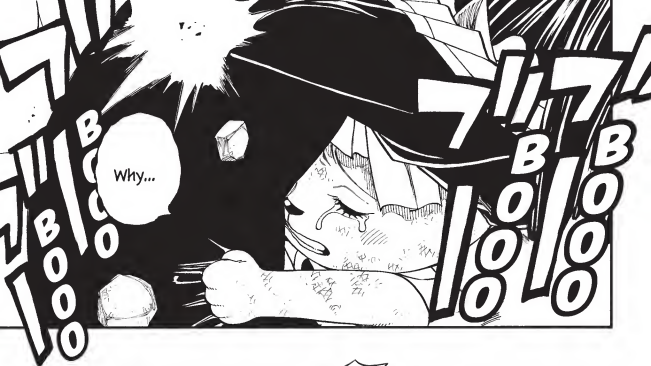


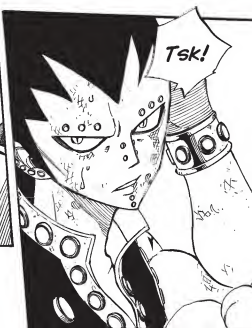
**But don't do
this to Carla!!
She's one of
you, right?!**

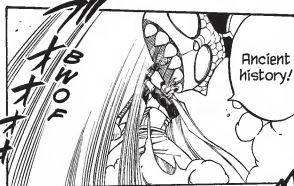
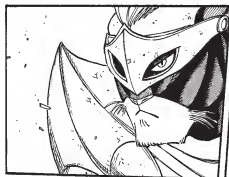


**If you
hate humans
that much,
do what you
want with
me!!**



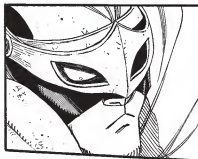


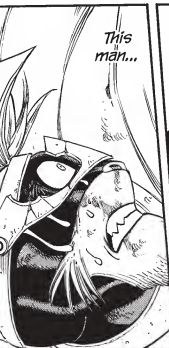
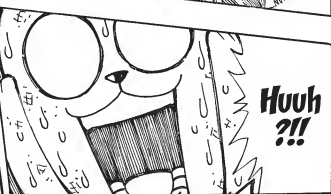






So you
just took
off, huh?

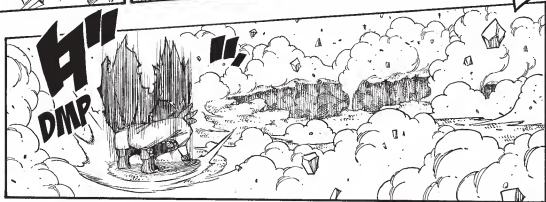




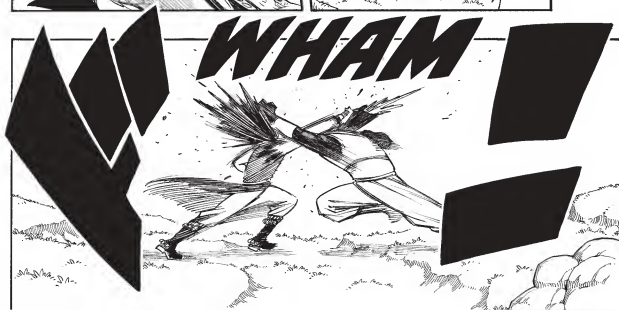
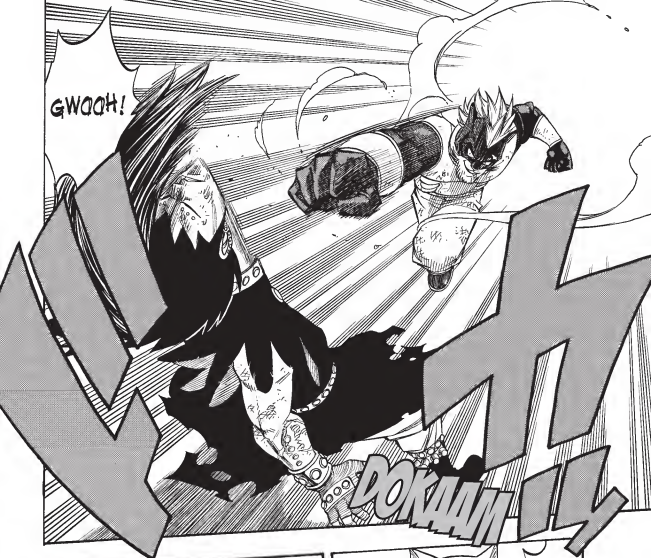


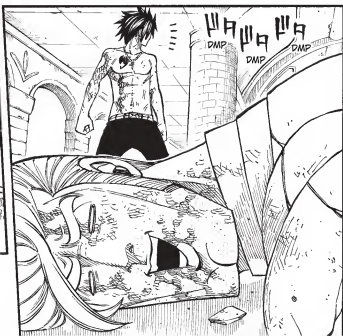
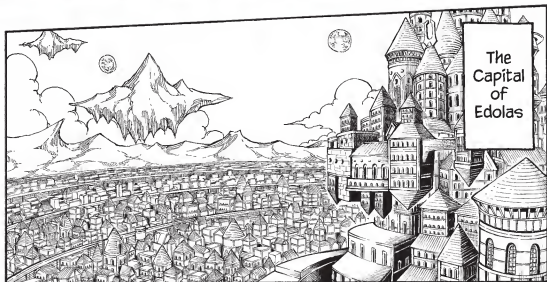
**TETSU-
RYŪ
NO
HÔKÔ*
!!**

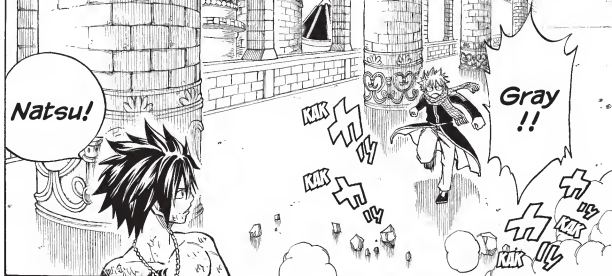
G W A A A H H !!



You're good!!



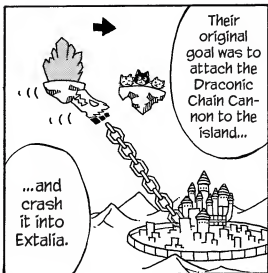






But it's concentrated dragon slayer energy that runs the Draconic Chain Cannon. If it's fired directly into the lacrima...

...everybody goes back to normal!



Their original goal was to attack the Draconic Chain Cannon to the island...

...and crash it into Extalia.



Ohh!!

But we got one problem.

The Draconic Chain Cannon is this way!



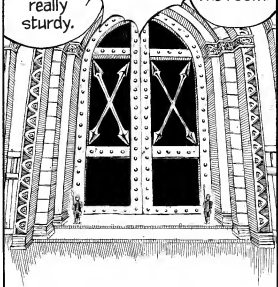
I didn't get most of that, but we can get everybody back to normal?!



That won't work. I hear that door is really sturdy.

So?! Frontal attack!!

We've got no way to get into the room.





So this is
where you
were...

PANT

PANT

PANT

PANT

This is
Edolas
Erza
...

No, wait
a sec-
ond...

Erza
!!

PANT

PANT



A-And
who are
they?!



S-She isn't all
right at all, is
she?! You're
wounded!

I'm so glad
you're all right,
Commander
Nightwalker!

It's nothing
serious.



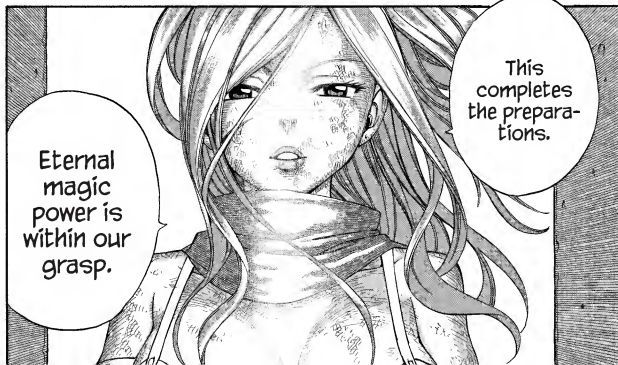
Yes...
Be my
guest.

His
Majesty
is within?



They
are the key
to the Dra-
conic Chain
Cannon.

♪ K-Key
...?! ♪



Eternal
magic
power is
within our
grasp.

This
completes
the prepara-
tions.

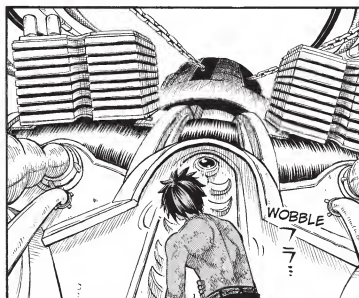
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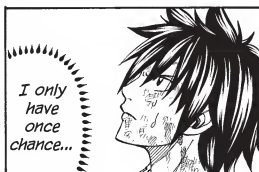
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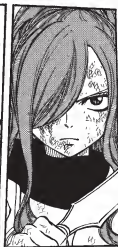
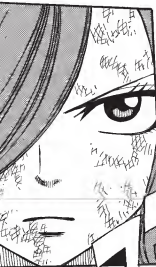
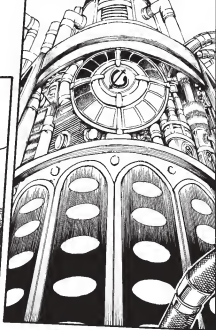
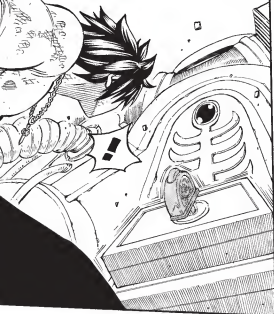


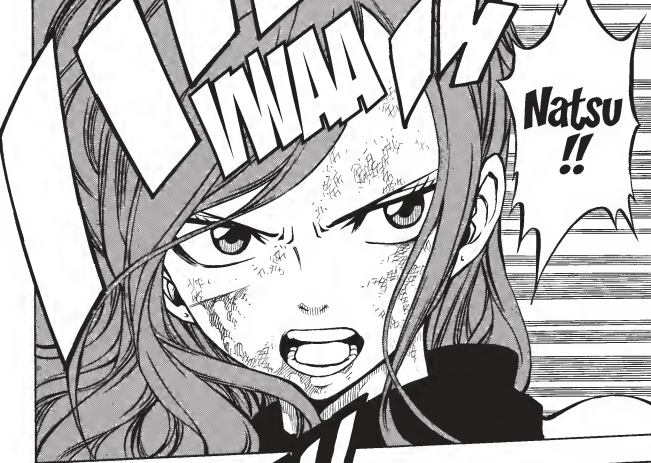
Chapter 187, Chain Cannon of the Doomsday Dragon

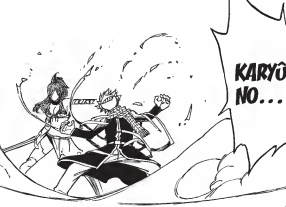












KARYŌ
NO...



Wh-
What
?!



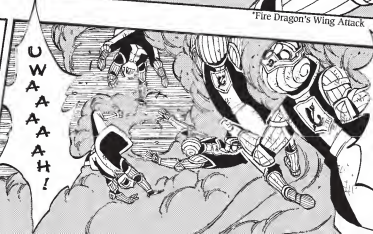
?!



YOKU-
GEKI*
!!!!



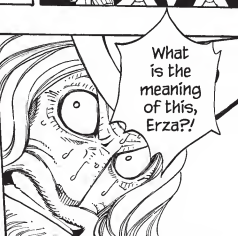
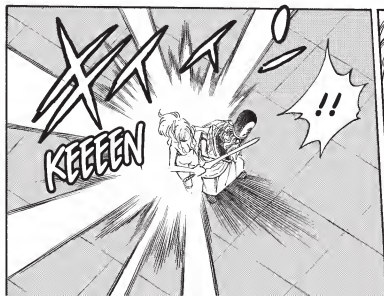
What is
this...?!

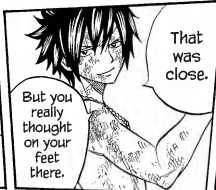
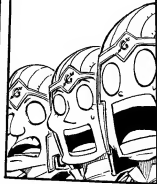


UWA
AA
AA
H!

GWA
AA
AA
H!

*Fire Dragon's Wing Attack







Cowards!! How dare you take a hostage?!



Wh-What'll we do?

Urn...



Aim it directly at the lacrima!

Don't do anything she says!! Fire the device now!!



This is to save the lives of our friends! So we'll do whatever it takes!

So? What's your point?

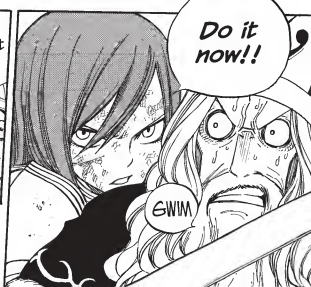


Forget about me!! Fire!! We must destroy the Exceed!!



Do it!! His Majesty is in danger!!

Dammit ...



Do it now!!

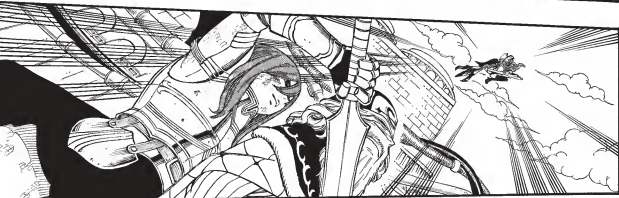
GWIM

You intend
to give up
an eternity
of magic?!

You
fools
!!

Aim it
at the
giant
lacrima
!!

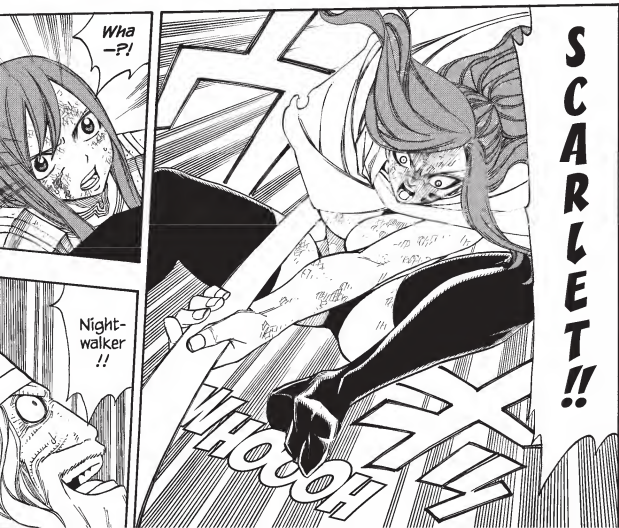
Ad-
just
the
aim
!!



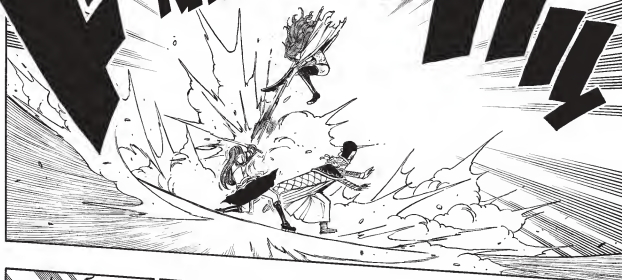
Wha
-?!

Night-
walker
!!

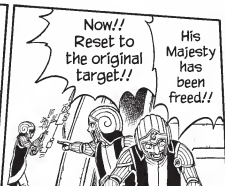
**S
C
A
R
L
E
T
!!**



KABOOM

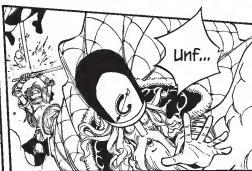


This is bad!!



Now!!
Reset to
the original
target!!

His
Majesty
has been
freed!!



Unf...

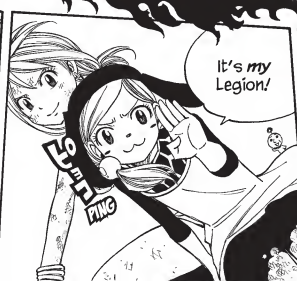


Night-
walker!
At a
time like
this?!!



Our
fight isn't
over yet,
Scarlet!!





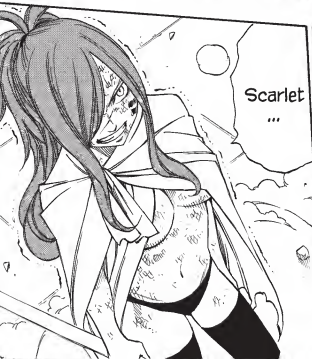
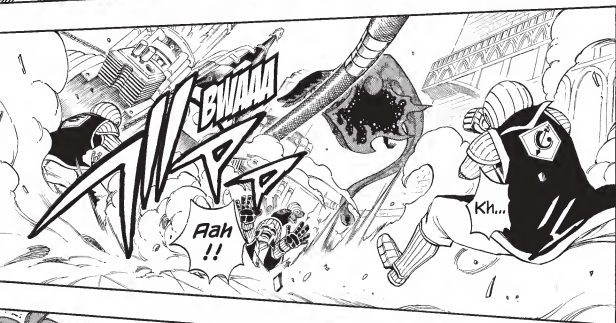


But we
have to
go now!

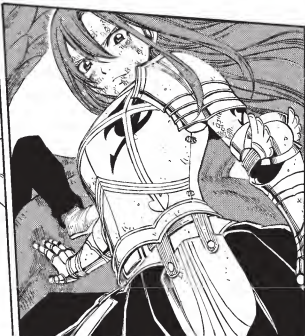


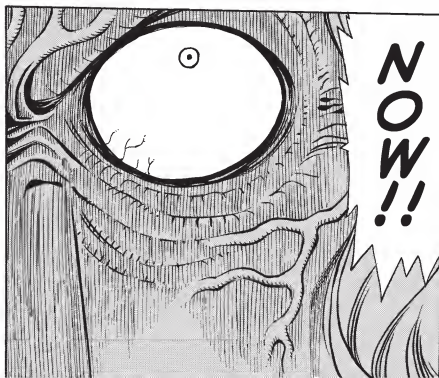
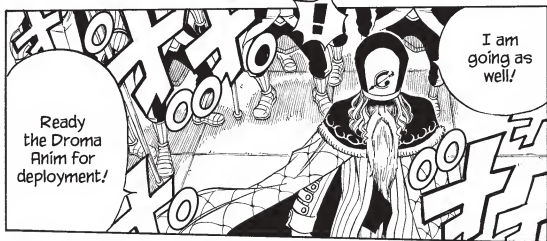
Can we
use this
thing to
stop it?!

I don't
know!!



Scarlet
...





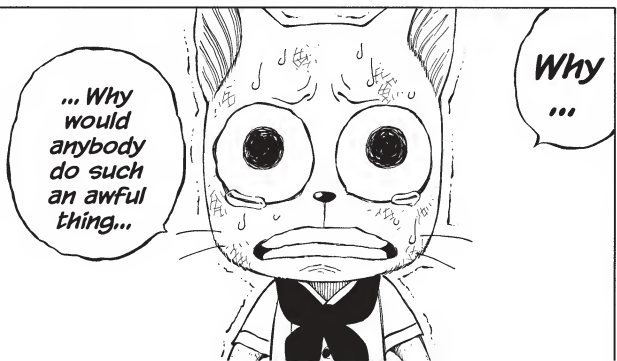


To crash this
lacrima into
Extalia and
destroy both
of them!

That's the
royal army's
mission!

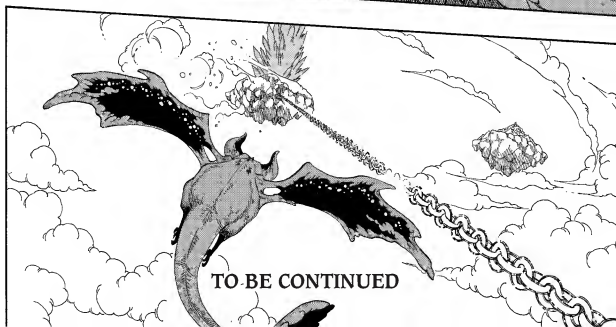


What...is
this...?!
We're
moving,
right?!



... Why
would
anybody
do such
an awful
thing...

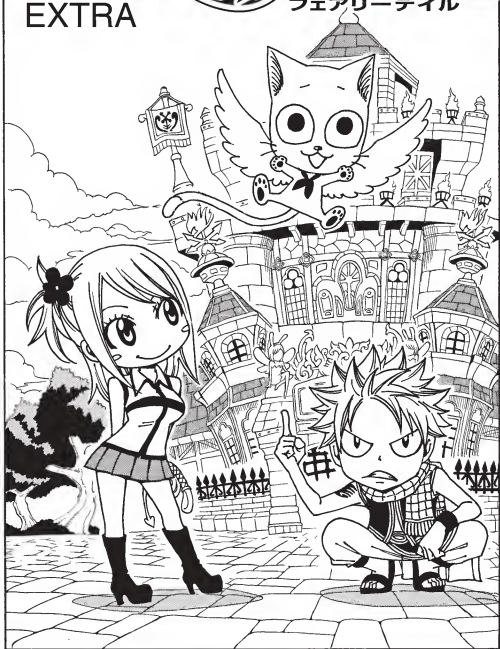
Why
...



FAIRY TAIL

EXTRA

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At the Fairy Tail Counter...

Lucy: Sigh... What was with all that tedious chatter last time?

Mira: Now, let's get started on our own tedious chatter this time!

Lucy: No! Tediousness is *bad*!!

Mira: And the first question!

They said that the only member of Eisenwald that wasn't arrested was Erigor. What happened to him?



Lucy: Oh, that. Actually there's a pretty sad story that goes along with that.

Mira: It's true that Erigor was never captured, and he was scheduled to appear in the Nirvana Arc.

Lucy: Well, it just didn't work out, so his part had to be cut. It made the author cry.

Mira: He went and did all that work foreshadowing, but...

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Lucy: ...is how it turned out, but when the anime director was told about it, his eyes just lit up, so it's possible that when the episode comes to TV...

Lucy: : Just possible... huh? ♡

Lucy: Now, on to the next question.



Mira: I want to say it's a huge load of her armor, but Erza keeps her stock of extra armor in another dimension so that can't be it.

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Lucy: So...her underwear, maybe?

Mira: Since it's Erza, it'd have to be the dead bodies of the monsters she's vanquished...

Lucy: : Don't be scary!!

Lucy: : Heh! Shouldn't I be answering this question directly?

Lucy: Ah! Erza, it's been a while since you made an appearance in this corner!

Mira: All right, then what's in your luggage?

Lucy: : FOOD.

Mira: ...

Erza: Now, shall we proceed to the next question?

Lucy: Whoa! She just took over!

Strong Elfman had a weak Edolas counterpart. So by that logic, Strong Edolas Jet and Droy mean that the regular world guys are weak?



Erza: Really weak.

Lucy: Th-That's harsh...

Mira: Anybody would be, compared to you, Erza...right?

Lucy: : (You say that, Mira-san, but a long time ago, you were on par with Erza, right...?)

Erza: Now we read the final question.

Is this character actually necessary to the story?



Lucy: : Obviously!

Mira: And wait, what is that anyway?

Erza: It is one of Mashima-sensei's doodles.

Lucy: It's one of those rarely seen characters that appears once in a great while in the manga.

Mira: Is it edible?

Lucy: What?! No way it'd be edible!

Erza: That is unfortunate.

Mira: It sure is! It looks especially delicious if it were spiced and deep fried.

Lucy: : No, it doesn't!!

Erza: Putting that argument aside, that particular character makes an appearance in one frame of Volume 22. And it did not appear in the magazine version of the same scene. So it was added for the graphic novel volume especially.

Lucy: Added... But you said it was a doodle, right?

Mira: It must be rough on Mashima-sensei, being so busy and all.

Lucy: Don't go praising a guy for putting in a doodle!

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♥ Oh! Cute dress! ♪ I like it!

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♪ The three Fairy Tail ladies. They're all got great expressions!

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♪ Erza and Mirajane of long ago. Which one of them was stronger?

Tokyo Prefecture: Goro



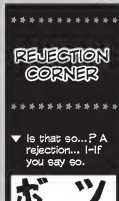
♪ The anime version of the Tower of Heaven are made me cry...

Hokkaido: Eri



♪ The three dragon slayers. A lot of work was put into the letters too!

Tokyo Prefecture: Cynthia



♪ Is that so... ♪ A rejection... ♪ If you say so.



Kyoto: Akiko Yamamura



♪ Everyone coming together! ♪ Right on! This one gave me energy.

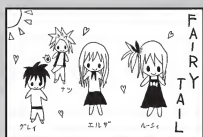
Aichi Prefecture: Rina



♪ Will these three ever meet again?

Tokyo Prefecture: Kenza Saito

♪ Everyone done up like dolls! They're all so cute!



Chiba Prefecture: Happy's Egg



♪ Oh! Very cool! And really well done!!

Gifu Prefecture: Yori Kasa



♪ Julia looking very girly. The one from Eclipse is just okay!

Gifu Prefecture: Aki-P



♪ The extremely popular Wendy and Carla. So popular, it even surprised the artist!

Chiba Prefecture: Yuya



♪ Great! They haven't appeared too much, it's because they're so much loved!

Aichi Prefecture: PT Rocks

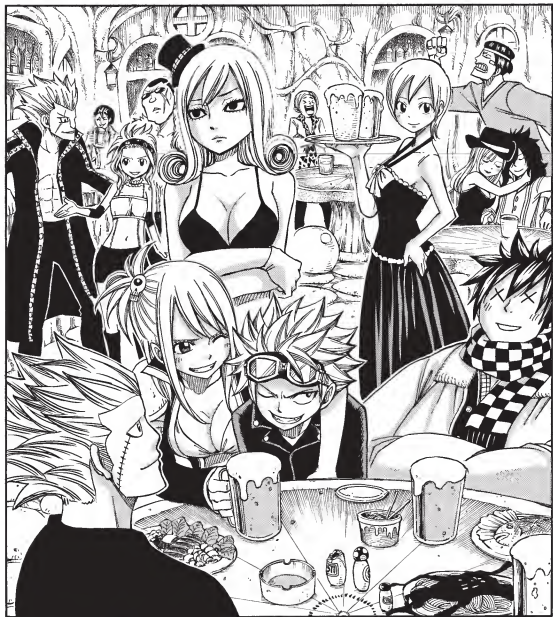


♪ So-called 'Doujin' ♪ Which one do you like best?

Saitama Prefecture: Kazuo Fujisawa

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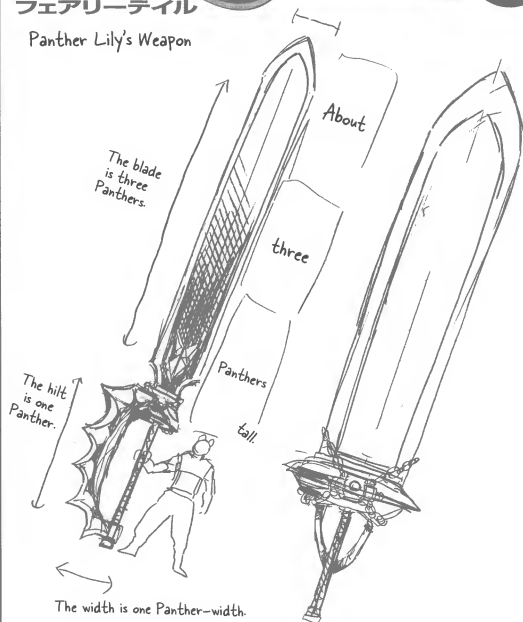
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I'm presently writing this afterword on June 29, 2010, one day before my scheduled trip to France. To put the time in perspective, tonight is the World Cup game between Japan and Paraguay, and after I watch that, I'm going to pack for my trip. Then, at 6 A.M. tomorrow, I take off. If you want to know why I'm going to France, there's an event held every year called the Japan Expo, and this year, I'm an invited guest! They're having a signing there! After going to Taiwan and America, this time it's on to France. Fairy Tail has gone worldwide! Actually I'm very grateful to France for awarding Fairy Tail two manga awards. It seems to be a country with quite a lot of fans. What with one thing and another, on the day before I was going off to France, I thought of having a signing here in Japan. Or to be more accurate, I really felt a desire to meet my Japanese fans. All the Japanese readers are always doing their best to cheer me on, and I want to express my thanks. That's true of all the other countries too. There are a lot of people in many countries around the world who I want to meet, and that includes everyone in Japan too. So, next time in this space, my France Trip Diary...maybe?

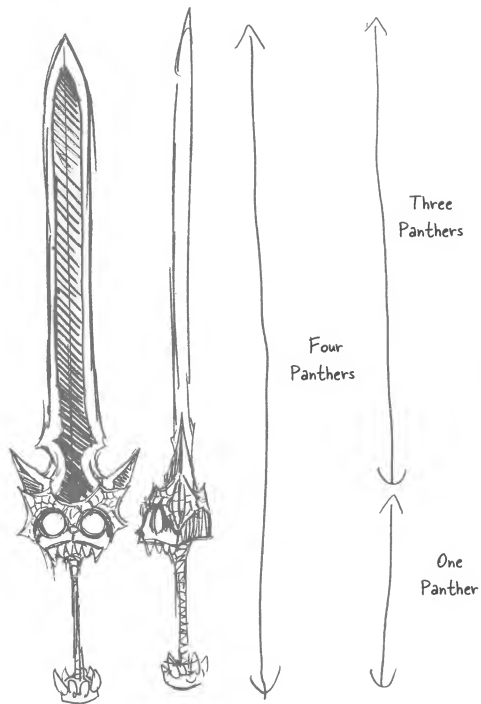
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Panther Lily's Weapon



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